

JUDGE HANCKEL'S COURT

The New Judge Takes Charge of the Court.

MAKES A GOOD IMPRESSION.

First Session of the Criminal Court. A Dignified and Strong Charge to Grand Jury. They Will Investigate the Social Clubs.

Judge A. R. Hanckel conducted the first session of his court yesterday, and the machinery moved off as smoothly as if His Honor had been on the bench the last quarter of a century. The new Judge arrived just before 11 o'clock. There were already present a goodly number of the legal fraternity who had assembled to do honor to the occasion. He entered by the side door and with perfect composure ascended the bench. His first words after carefully adjusting himself in the big arm chair were, "Open court, Mr. Sheriff."

The grand jury was next called, with Capt. William E. Taylor as foreman. The jury being duly sworn, Judge Hanckel delivered his charge as follows. It is brief and covered only one point of special interest at this time, that being instructions to inquire into the conduct of the social clubs.

THE CHARGE.

GENTLEMEN:—Some of you, no doubt, have heretofore served in a similar capacity as grand jurors, are therefore more or less familiar with the important duties you have been sworn to perform. That idea, together with the fact that this is not a regular grand jury term of court, induces me to charge you briefly and informally.

At the outset, it is proper to direct your attention to the important trust devolved upon you. Indeed, it is impossible to exaggerate the importance of the grand jury as established under our system of laws. You constitute an inseparable, and so far as the good order of the community is concerned, perhaps the most indispensable part of the court when in the exercise of its criminal jurisdiction.

With you originate all prosecutions of crime, and without your control, in a large measure

if not the preservation, of society, so that whatever may be the purpose and determination of this court to enforce the laws in such a manner as to engender a sense of security in the people living within its jurisdiction, this object can never be accomplished without the prudent and conscientious discharge of your high functions. Proceeding to the details of your present service in addition to the usual and customary investigation in such felonies and misdemeanors as may be called to your attention by the Attorney for the Commonwealth, or which may come to your knowledge, you are specially duty will require you to look into a number of alleged violations of the laws regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Now, in this connection the court desires to request your earnest and impartial consideration of one particularly called

THE SOCIAL CLUB CASES.

sent on by the Police Justice for your investigation. Coming as you do from all parts of the city, you are doubtless already aware of the deep concern pervading the entire community on this subject.

Public sentiment seems to be greatly aroused on the question and it now becomes your duty to face it. That you will do so without fear or favor and equally without prejudice or passion, is the reasonable expectation of the people of this city, whose representatives you are in the present exercise of your present duties.

That you will have much difficulty in dealing with this question does not seem probable. Now, that the Attorney for the Commonwealth may, at your request, explain to you in detail the legal phases of the situation, the Court ventures to throw out for your practical guidance the suggestion that

THE COMMON-SENSE QUESTION

for you to address yourselves to: Are these social clubs real, bona fide associations of a limited number of individuals, united into a chartered organization, for the promotion of lawful social intercourse, or are they really engaged in the business of selling intoxicating liquors and using their charters as a device or arrangement to avoid paying the license required of other persons engaged in that business? That seems to be your whole inquiry.

If, during the progress of your investigation, you require any information on any question of law you may request the assistance of the Attorney for the Commonwealth.

The court also holds itself in readiness to

RENDER YOU ANY AID

in its power, and will send you the witnesses. But you shall have only the testimony of the witnesses for the Commonwealth, and it is only necessary that such a case shall be made out against the accused as ought in your judgment to put him on his defense before a petit jury.

You, under the law, being designated as a special grand jury, at least five of your number must concur in finding an indictment. At the end of your day's session you

shall return into court with your findings. The jury then retired to their rooms and brought in the following when they were adjourned till to-day:

True Bills—W. H. Gordon (3), Julia Lanter, Charles Smith, grand larceny.
W. H. Gordon (3), petit larceny.
Frank Pearce, felonious assault.
The will of Wm. H. Williamson was probated, and Mary E. Williamson qualified as executrix.
Rev. Rob. S. Copeland, was licensed to celebrate the rite of matrimony.

The first official paper the new Judge signed was routine certificate that Mr. L. Royter is Clerk of the Courts which had to be attached to the papers of an administrator who had previously qualified.

Police Court.

The following cases were disposed of in the Police Court yesterday:
Thomas Mackey, colored, assaulting Mrs. Barratta; dismissed on payment of costs.
Edward Bright, colored, larceny of a grate from W. D. Southall's vacant house; sent on.
Same, assault on Henry Cornick; fined \$4.75.
Samuel Berry and Robert Berry, colored, assault; turned over to the county authorities.
George Williams, colored, assault on James Brown with a knife; fined \$12.25.
J. M. Byram, white, drunk and assaulting Officer Holliday; fined \$11.
Cornelius Corprew, colored, assault on Mary Corprew, and breaking her arm; fined \$22.75.

Election of Officers.

The following officers have been elected for the ensuing year:
Union No. 110, Journeymen Plumbers, Gas and Steam Fitters: S. J. Hopkins, president; George T. Tumbleson, vice president; J. O. Persons, secretary; R. L. Orr, treasurer; Geo. A. Graham, inside sentinel; L. F. Jordan, outside sentinel; George T. Tumbleson, J. W. Butt and S. J. Hopkins, board of directors.
The Disciples' Sunday school: Dr. R. H. Walker, superintendent; R. E. Stead, assistant superintendent; J. H. Schlegel, secretary and treasurer; L. A. Beckham, librarian; H. W. Ambrose, assistant librarian; J. W. Williams, supernumerary; Miss Mamie Metcalf, organist.

Week of Prayer.

The week of prayer services commenced yesterday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock at the First Presbyterian Church. The topic for this service was "Humiliation and Thanksgiving." The meeting was conducted by Rev. E. B. Hatcher. Addresses were delivered by Rev. A. S. Lloyd, Rev. C. J. Jones, Dr. A. Coke Smith and Rev. R. A. Robinson. The services to-day will be at the same church. The subject will be "The Church Universal." Rev. B. D. Tucker will have charge of the meeting and short talks will be made by Revs. W. B. Beauchamp, W. D. Smith, G. P. Rutledge and Dr. Lacy.

Schooner Ashore.

The schooner Lester A. Seward, bound from Georgetown, S. C., to Baltimore, with a cargo of shingles, struck on the Hatteras Inlet bar Sunday morning and is a total loss. Crew all saved. The Seward was built at Taylor Island, Md., in 1885. The schooner Gertrude T. Browning, loaded with lumber from Scranton, N. C., for New Haven, Conn., put into Hatteras Inlet Sunday in bad condition.

Missionary Service.

A missionary service was held at St. Luke's Church Sunday night. It was the first meeting of the Protestant Episcopal Missionary Society of Norfolk, Portsmouth and Berkley. Addresses were delivered by Dr. Barten, Mr. Funsten, of Portsmouth, and Bishop Randolph. It was an interesting meeting. The Executive Committee of the Society will be composed of the rector and three laymen from each church.

New Buildings the Past Year.

During the past year 1894 the City engineer gave lines for 170 new buildings in Norfolk as follows: January, 2; February, 34; March, 14; April, 12; May, 29; June, 11; July, 15; August, 15; September 6; October, 7; November, 15; December, 7. Total, 170. During 1893 he gave lines for 211.

Notice to Mariners.

Booy No. 4, at entrance to the mouth of Chesapeake, has been replaced in position. Bell-buoys will be replaced as soon as damages can be repaired.

Five Days Only

Will you have the chance to purchase such bargains as will be offered at the grand closing out sale at Nussbaum's Book and Art Place, 123 Main street. Prior to taking inventory will sell beautiful pictures and fine picture frames at less than factory prices. Books by the very best writers in sets or in single volumes, at less than half their positive value. Blank books, tablets, box paper, inks, mucilage, and paper bound books at a sacrifice. Mirrors, albums and pictures, as well as holiday editions of fine books; German translations, bibles, dictionaries and music folios at less than price of production. Picture frames made to order at short notice. Nussbaum's Book and Art Place, 123 Main street, Norfolk, Va.

Prior to stock-taking, February 1st, we will offer diamonds and watches at the very lowest figures to cash buyers. F. H. Gale, 152 Main street.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

THREE ABLE DISCOURSES

Jesuit Mission at the Chapel of the Sacred Heart.

WELL ATTENDED SERMONS.

Rev. Fathers O'Kane and Himml Conduct Highly Instructive Services. Profound and Able Sermons by Eminent Preachers.

The mission at the chapel of the Sacred Heart, conducted by the Jesuit priests, Fathers O'Kane and Himml, began Sunday morning at 7 o'clock, that being the hour of the first Mass. The Rev. Father Himml officiated at the services. At the 10 o'clock service there was High Mass, at which Rev. Father McCarthy, the pastor, officiated. There was a large attendance. The first sermon of the mission was preached during this service by the Rev. Father O'Kane, his subject being "The Love of God." It was a very impressive and beautiful discourse. The reverend father cited instance after instance why God's creature, man, should be filled with intense love for the Creator. Man was the noblest work of God, and in his state of innocence was a marvelous being. But man rebelled against the goodness of God, and like Lucifer, the Prince of Angels, fell from his high estate and entered into the world. Mortal sin, that kills the soul and deserves hell, God, however, was merciful to man. He promised the Redeemer, in the person of His son, who came upon earth and died from his love for mankind. How great, then, should be man's gratitude.

At the evening service, held at 8 o'clock, the chapel was thronged, and the Rev. Father O'Kane again preached. His subject was "Mortal Sin." He pictured the horror of sin, and the punishment that follows sin, should the sinner go unrepentant before the throne of God. He pointed out how the soul was destroyed, blackened, by this heinous crime against God's goodness and mercy. He pictured with an earnestness and directness how mortal sin should be shunned, and he implored all who were so allied as to be in a state of mortal sin to quickly relieve themselves of its burthen by reconciliation with God.

Last night at the 7:30 service Father O'Kane again delivered a most instructive and helpful discourse upon the effect of mortal sin. He chose as his text the words of Holy Scripture: "The Fear of the Lord is the Beginning of Wisdom." He said: "The greatest foolishness that man can fall into in this life is the commission of mortal sin, which, as surely as carried into the presence of God, will receive His curse. The only cure for such foolishness is the fear of God. The wise man recognized this fact when he penned these words:

"No matter how much inclined to sin a man may be, so long as there is in that man's heart a fear of God, so long as he knows something to fear, there is some hope of his salvation. When that fear is removed the man becomes reckless. He may become an infidel, and denying the existence of God, sink deeper and deeper into the abyss of his own sin. The first lesson the sinner must learn is that God is a just God. This is essential to belief in His goodness."

"The greatest difficulty in treating this subject is the absolute refusal of some to fear. They say it is a weakness unworthy of a man. And yet sin is the essence of selfishness and the only way to make a selfish man tractable is to threaten him with punishment. To such the fear of God is a salutary measure of safety; of protection against themselves."

"But some say there is no hell, God is too good, they affirm, to thus punish his creatures. Such people see only the goodness of God without recognizing his justice."

"Again, Christ being God, must have seen what he described in the parable of Dives and Lazarus. That parable proves that God's curse once being pronounced is final."

"Some people console themselves by saying, 'Oh, there'll be lots of other people in hell.' They don't consider the fact that the only feeling retained there will be that of hatred. All the denizens of torment will be enemies to each other. Hell is truly a terrible place, more to be feared than anything else conceivable, and this fear Holy Writ strives to impress upon us constantly."

"God has given us our faculties, and if we use them rightly we may impress our eternal souls with a sense of beauty and purity which will last through eternity, but if wrongly used we stamp our souls with vile and loathsome forms, which will forever last."

"Let us then use every faculty and everything the dear Lord has given us to develop that fear of God which is the beginning of all wisdom."

The sermon was preceded by an interesting "Instruction," delivered by Father O'Kane, and at the conclusion of his sermon the service of benediction was celebrated.

In Olden Times

People overlooked the importance of permanently beneficial effects and were satisfied with transient action; but now that it is generally known that Syrup of Figs will permanently cure habitual constipation, well-informed people will not buy other laxatives, which act for a time, but finally injure the system.

AMUSEMENTS.

"THE WHITE SQUADRON."—This naval drama, which comes to Norfolk with very flattering comments from the press, will be produced at the Academy of Music on Friday and Saturday evenings and Saturday matinee. The author of this realistic play is James W. Harkins, Jr., who has won an enviable reputation, both as an actor and playwright. His latest success "The White Squadron," is entirely different from the naval dramas, and affords many opportunities for gigantic scenic effects and thrilling dramatic situations.

THE VETERAN CORPS BAND.—This handsomely uniformed band of thirty first-class musicians will hold the boards at the Academy of Music to-night and will present an excellent programme of popular and descriptive music that will be enjoyed by all music loving people who attend. Advance press notices have nothing but praise for this high salaried company of musicians and state that wherever they have appeared they have been greeted by large and enthusiastic audiences. The programme arranged for to-night will include the latest and most popular classic music.

Confederate Veterans.

A special meeting of Pickett-Buchanan Camp, Confederate Veterans, was held in its hall last evening to perfect arrangements for a proper observance of Gen. R. E. Lee's birthday on the 19th instant. The Camp was called so order by Commander Taylor, and prayer was offered by the chaplain. Owing to the extreme illness of Comrade Irvine, chairman of the committee of arrangements, the Camp on motion appointed a special committee, consisting of Comrades Henry, as chairman, Garnett, Hodges, Marsden, Rev. B. D. Tucker and Todd, to take up the matter of arrangement for the occasion, and to complete the same, it being the sense of the Camp that an observance of the evening of the day be the same as previous occasions.

The special committee as above named, are requested to meet in the Camp Hall next Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. The deaths since last meeting of Comrades James Little and Charles G. Anter was announced, and a page of the records dedicated to their memory. Adjourned.

The Society of Religious Education.

Rev. Dr. Gilbert, secretary of the American Society of Religious Education, addressed a large audience at the Academy of Music Sunday afternoon on the subject of "Bible Teaching." On Sunday night he preached at the First Presbyterian Church, and yesterday addressed the ministers of Norfolk at the Y. M. C. A. rooms with reference to the establishment in Norfolk of a branch society of Religious Education.

He delivered an address at the Cumberland Street Methodist Church last night. Dr. Gilbert is a strong and interesting speaker.

Arrested for Stealing \$110.

Sarah Shepherd was arrested yesterday by Detective Snowden upon a charge of stealing \$110 from a stateroom on the steamer Washington, upon which she is a stewardess. She had a good deal of money in her possession when arrested and was the only person having access to the stateroom that was robbed.

Ralph H. Doane, wood carver and stair builder, No. 4 Randolph street, Norfolk, Va., says he proposes to keep Quatrol in the house for emergencies. He has tried it and knows its worth.

SPECIAL SALE DRESS GOODS.

For this week only, and in Connection With This Our Line of Ladies' Tailor-made Suits. Wright's, 196 Main street.

75c. our entire line of silks and satins, plain and fancy, were \$1 and \$1.25.

See Sunday's VIRGINIAN for price list on dress goods, from 5c. a yard up.

\$5.00 navy flannel suits, were \$7.98.

\$5.98 mixed cloth suits, were \$8.50.

\$10.98 navy and black fine serge suits, coats full silk lined, were \$14.50.

Wright's, 196 Main street.

"Patronize Home Folks."

See THE VIRGINIAN article on above of issue of January 5 and govern yourselves accordingly. Messrs. Greenwood & Bro., in order to induce the good people of the "Greater Norfolk" to buy at home, make it to their interest to do so by offering the best goods in the jewelry lines at as low, if not lower, than Northern prices. Have this demonstrated by patronizing that sterling institution, "The Casket." Messrs. Greenwood & Bro. are placing orders for speedy delivery to fill up their stock to its usual standard of excellence.

They Are Bound to Move.

Ladies' Turkish slippers, 13-5, 60c. Ladies' overgaiters, 1, 2, 5c. Gents' embroidered slippers, 6, 11, 50c.

Gents' fine goat slippers, 6, 8, 75c. Doll baby button shoes, 25c. Doll baby strap sandals, 20c. Misses' jersey rubbers, 11-13, 20c. Child's jersey rubbers, 6, 9, 15c. HELLER'S ONE PRICE SHOE STORE, 46 Bank St., op. Courthouse.

If you have failed to be cured by other medicines, try Dr. Reeves' herb remedies. Office, 257 Corn.

Abbott's East Indian Corn Paint cures all corns, warts and bunions.

A CLUE.

It Will Open Your Eyes In Amazement.

Dreadful Events Like This Constantly Occur. No Wonder People Are Alarmed About This Matter.

People are always seeking clues, and the one which leads straight to the object sought is the strongest and surest. The world is filled with complaints and weaknesses, which, when neglected, lead to the most dangerous diseases. These weaknesses are constantly found among those who think themselves fairly well. Such people are careless, and this is just the reason so many persons break down and become mental and physical wrecks, with shattered nerves and broken health. Your curiosity will be aroused by reading the following letter from Mr. Joseph B. Pierce, of Northfield, Mass. It is the clue to health:

"I have been subject to the fever and ague, which had become chronic. I had the dumb ague without the shaking. I suffered great pain during the spells. I tried many things for a cure, but without good results. I tried Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy on the recommendation of a friend and am happy to say that I derived the best results from its use of anything I have ever used."



MR. JOSEPH B. PIERCE.

"My wife has found great relief from sick headache from Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy. My wife's aunt has derived so much good from its use that she thinks she cannot do without it."

Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy is the surest road to health, because it has back of it Dr. Greene himself, who stands ready at all times to answer for its action, and its genuine worth. It cures weakness, nervousness, headache, malaria, dyspepsia, constipation, torpid liver, sleeplessness and nervous debility. It makes people strong and well.

Why waste time in trying uncertain and untried remedies, when here is a physician's prescription, a discovery made by the greatest living specialist in curing nervous and chronic diseases, Dr. Greene, of 35 West Fourteenth street, New York City. If you take this medicine you can consider yourself under Dr. Greene's direct professional care, and you can consult him, or write to him about your case, freely and without charge. This is a guarantee that this remedy will cure, possessed by no other medicine in the world.

Many stubborn and aggravating cases of rheumatism that were believed to be incurable and accepted as life legacies, have yielded to Chamberlain's Pain Balm, much to the surprise and gratification of the sufferers. One application will relieve the pain and suffering and its continued use insures an effectual cure. For sale by all druggists.

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TUNSTALL—On Monday, January 7th, 1895, ANNIE, wife of Dr. Alex. Tunstall, and daughter of the late Capt. C. F. McIntosh, U. S. N.

Funeral from the residence, No. 6 Freeman street, WEDNESDAY, the 9th instant, at 12 m.

THE COUPER MARBLE WORKS

111, 113 & 115 Bank Street, NORFOLK, VA.

LARGE STOCK OF FINISHED

Monuments and Gravestones

Ready for immediate delivery

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE—THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will be held at their rooms, 55 Main street, on THURSDAY, EVENING, January 8th, at 6 o'clock, to discuss such business as may be presented and for the election of officers for the ensuing year.

SAMUEL R. BROWN, President. WILLIAM LANE, Secretary and Superintendent. JAN-11

REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING OF THE

COMPANY will be held on TUESDAY, January 8th, 1895, at 5 p. m., at the office of D. Lowenberg, room 20, Columbia Building.

JOS. T. ALLEN, President.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

The annual Stockholders' meeting of the City National Bank of Norfolk, Va., will be held at their office TUESDAY, January 8th, between hours of 1 to 2 p. m.

B. W. LEIGH, Cashier.

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WEATHER REPORT.

Forecast for To-day.

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 8, 1895.

For Virginia: Fair; colder; northerly winds.

For North Carolina: Fair; colder; northerly winds.

MINUTAE ALMANAC—Sun rises, 7:13 a. m. sets, 5:05 p. m.; high water, 6:16 a. m. and 6:32 p. m.; low water, 1:20 p. m. and 1:02 p. m.

Local Meteorological Data.

FOR 24 HOURS ENDING 5 O'CLOCK LAST NIGHT.

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU.

Local Office, Dodson Building, NORFOLK, VA., January 7, 1895.

Maximum temperature..... 70

Minimum temperature..... 61

Normal temperature, deduced from 20 years' observation..... 60

Departure from normal..... -22

Accumulated departures for the month..... -10

Accumulated departures since Jan. 1st..... -0

Precipitation, in inches..... 10

Total precipitation since 1st of the month..... .T

J. J. GRAY, Observer.

Transfers of Real Estate.

Eliza A. Hallett to John B. Loughran lot on Mariner, between Church and Fenchurch streets.

Consideration, \$1,400.

E. D. Pendleton et al. to W. P. Boyce, an individual half interest in improved property on north side Union street, for \$2,250.

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No Evading These Facts.

There are eight regular life assurance companies besides the Equitable organized under the laws of the State of New York which are now in active pursuit of public patronage, the combined "admitted" surplus of which on the 1st of January last amounted to \$36,357,356.55. This amount includes the surplus of the two companies next in size to the Equitable. The admitted surplus of the Equitable alone is over EIGHTY-ONE AND A HALF per cent. of the total surplus of the other eight New York Companies.

When it is understood that surplus is not only the measure of financial strength, but that from it alone can dividends be declared, the pre-eminent position of the Equitable on the vital points of security for the assured and the cost of assurance becomes apparent.

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY of the United States is the STRONGEST and LARGEST Life Assurance Company in the world.

A. MYERS, M'n'gr., Norfolk, Va.

SPRATLEY - BROS.

ONE PRICE HOUSE.

DRESS GOODS,

DRESS GOODS,

We are slaughtering our entire line of Dress Goods to close the line out for the season; all of them at

HALF PRICE!

Blankets, Blankets, Blankets.

Half Price! Half Price! Half Price!

We have marked our entire line of Blankets at about Half Price to close them out. Now is your chance to buy Blankets and Dress Goods. You will never have such bargains offered you again.

SPRATLEY BROS.,

68 Main Street, Under Academy of Music

JANUARY 3d, 1895.

THE DIRECTORS OF THE CITY NATIONAL BANK

have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent. from the net earnings of the bank for the past six months, payable on and after JANUARY 15th, 1895.

B. W. LEIGH, Cashier.

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A CARD.

I desire to return thanks to my friends and the public for their liberal patronage in the past year, and ask a continuation of same. Wishing all a happy and prosperous New Year. I am,

Yours truly,

P. J. MALBON.

NORFOLK, Va., January 7th, 1895.

TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

Take notice that L. W. LAND IS NO AGENT OF MINE. He is not authorized to collect money for me or transact business of any kind. And I hereby notify all persons who know or hear of acts of his done in my name, place and stead, will be null and void, and that I will hold all persons as if the said acts had not been committed.

SOPHIA LAND, the wife of Marshall Land, and MARSHALL LAND.

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ALL PERSONS ARE HEREBY CAUTIONED that any debt contracted by any of the above named S. S. O'NEILL, now at Portsmouth, will not be paid by the owners, master or agent.

CLARENCE COTTMAN, Agent for owner.

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THE Sheriff of Anne Arundel Co., Md., says:

"I have used Dr. Deane's Dyspepsia Pills

for indigestion and weak stomach, which had troubled me for some time, and was soon cured by them.

"I consider them the great family medicine. If taken when required, they keep the stomach in a healthy condition."

THOMAS J. LINTHICUM, Sheriff. These pills, one taken after each meal, always cure dyspepsia and kindred ailments. At druggists', 25 cents. Sent to us for a free sample. DR. J. A. DEANE CO., Kingston, New York.

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REDUCED PRICES. ONLY FEW LEFT

Caps, Driving Robes and Gloves.

CHEAPEST IN THE CITY.

Walter J. Simmons & Co.,

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